

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-4 (cancelled).

Claim 5. (currently amended) ~~The system of claim 2~~ A system for securing transactional data transmitted over a wireless network in a store comprising:

a bogus message generator coupled to a wireless terminal in a store, the bogus message generator for generating bogus messages to be transmitted by the wireless terminal;

a store host computer for receiving transactional and bogus messages from the wireless terminal; and

a communication parameter regulator for measuring a communication parameter on the store host computer, the communication parameter regulator operable to activate the bogus message generator so that the bogus message generator is activated in accordance with the measured communication parameter, wherein the communication parameter regulator is a load balancer for measuring dead space in a communication bandwidth between the store host computer and the wireless terminal and wherein the load balancer generates a bogus message request in response to the computed dead space being greater than a threshold.

Claims 6-17 (cancelled)

Claim 18. (currently amended) ~~The terminal of claim 15~~ A point-of-sale terminal for communicating transactional messages over a wireless communication network to a store host computer comprising:

a bogus message generator for generating bogus transactional messages; and
a transmitter coupled to the bogus message generator for sending the generated bogus transactional messages to a store host computer, wherein the bogus message

generator includes a bogus message timer and the bogus message generator generates the bogus transactional messages until the bogus message timer expires.

Claim 19. (original) The terminal of claim 18 wherein the bogus message generator sets the bogus message timer in accordance with a bogus time generation value received in a bogus request message.

Claims 20-25 (cancelled)